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Dear BLM,

GMT-2 permitting should not occur before GMT-1 permitting is complete. The two could be combined together, but both have to be held to the NEPA and CEQ guidelines for impact assessment. This included the requirement to assess fossil fuel extraction decisions in the context of the nation's climate goals, commitments and policies.

Fossil fuel extraction and consumption has to slow down and stop soon if we are going to meet the Paris goals of less than 2 degrees Celsius of warming. The dangerous effects of climate change are all around us. In Alaska we see severe coastal erosion. In the Middle East and Sahel we see the violence caused by climate stress on the societies there.

The decisions made in Alaska regarding fossil fuel extraction cannot be made in a vacuum. The CEQ's requirements are not just a formality, a hoop to be jumped through, but must be taken seriously.

Sincerely,
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